

**New England Pipeline Safety Representatives
Virtual Pipeline Safety Seminar
April 27 – 29, 2021**

The seminar will be conducted with Microsoft Teams Live Event. An individual meeting link is used for each day of the seminar. Please click on the link below, associated with each day, to join. No preregistration is necessary. Please contact gary.kenny@maine.gov if you have questions prior to the seminar.

AGENDA

Tuesday, April 27, 2021 – General Topics [Day 1 Microsoft Teams Live Event Link](#)

- 9:00 – 9:10 AM: Welcome and Introduction of State Program Managers and Inspection Staff Members
- 9:10 – 10:30 AM: Update of Federal Regulations and Other Pertinent Issues at PHMSA – Presenter: John Gale, Director, Office of Pipeline Safety-Standards and Rulemaking Division
- 10:30 – 10:40 AM: Break
- 10:40 – 11:25 AM: State Gas Safety Programs, Enforcement and Other Pertinent Issues – VT, RI, & NH
- 11:250 – 11:30 AM: Break
- 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM: State Gas Safety Programs, Enforcement and Other Pertinent Issues – CT, ME, & MA
- 12:30 PM – 1:15 PM: Questions and Answers

Wednesday, April 28, 2021 – Natural Gas and General Topics [Day 2 Microsoft Teams Live Event Link](#)

- 9:00 – 9:50 AM: QA/QC Programs and their Role in Effective Pipeline Safety Management Systems – Presenters: Jamie Garland, Maine Natural Gas and Robert Richards, Unitil
- 9:50 – 10:00 AM: Break
- 10:00 AM – 10:50 AM: Major Changes Coming to Operator Qualification – Presenter(s): Karl Baker, CT Public Utilities Regulatory Authority and Paul Armstrong, Northeast Gas Association
- 10:50 AM – 11:00 AM: Break
- 11:00 AM – 11:50 AM: A Review of Recent Significant Incidents – Presenter: Sara Lyons, Pipeline Investigator, Office of Railroad, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Investigations, NTSB
- 11:50 AM – 12:20 PM: Questions, Answers, and Closing Remarks for Natural Gas Operators

Thursday, April 29, 2021 – Propane Topics [Day 3 Microsoft Teams Live Event Link](#)

- 9:00 – 9:50 AM: Pressure Regulation, Overpressure Protection, and Establishing the MAOP - Presenter: Jason Rosen, AccuMet Corp Measurement & Control
- 9:50 – 10:00 AM: Break
- 10:00 AM – 10:50 AM: An Overview of Regulations and Record Keeping Expectations - Presenters: CT, ME, and VT Pipeline Safety Staff Members
- 10:50 AM – 11:00 AM: Break
- 11:00 AM – 11:50 AM: Common Findings During Facility Inspections - Presenters: CT, ME, and VT Pipeline Safety Staff Members
- 11:50 AM – 12:20 PM: Questions, Answers, and Closing Remarks



CT



ME



MA



NH



RI



VT